

TO THE POINT.

MR. VENABLE'S ANSWER TO LANSING'S NOTICE OF APPEAL.

An Able and Convincing Paper—The Tobacco Tax—Miscellaneous and Personal Notes.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

PETERSBURG, January 19, 1889.
The answer of Hon. E. C. Venable to the notice of appeal filed by John M. Langston, the defeated Republican candidate, was sent to the editor of the Richmond Dispatch, and is published in this issue. The charges contained in the said notice are so vague and indefinite, that the defects, imperfections and errors of the notice are so numerous, that it is almost impossible to state them all. It is sufficient to say that the notice is a masterpiece of vagueness and indefiniteness, and that it is a masterpiece of vagueness and indefiniteness.

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FROM THE RAPPAHANNOCK.

Death of News, but Plenty of Public Opinion—The Richmond and Chesapeake Road.

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THE BRIDGE REBUILT.

BLACKSTONE, November 18, 1888.

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The great snow of 1857 commenced falling on Saturday evening, between the first and second of January, 1857, and continued to fall until the morning of the 10th. The snow was about two feet deep, and the ice was about one foot thick. The snow was so deep, that it was almost impossible to travel.

AN OFFICIAL RECORD.

Extracts from observations for the Smithsonian Institution, recorded during the storm, at Richmond, Va., January 18, 1857.

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